

Alaskan Region Regional Airports Plan Fall 2000

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Welcome to the second annual edition of the Alaska Regional Airports Plan (RAP). This RAP has been prepared to help us communicate our plans within our regional organization, with our headquarters organization, our sponsors, and to those who utilize the Alaska system of airports. This plan helps us focus our efforts on important objectives, thereby providing a framework for the preparation of the Airport Capital Improvement Plan (ACIP).

The FAA mission is to improve the safety, security, and efficiency of the aviation system in a manner compatible with the environment. The Airports organization has an important role in carrying out those objectives, through work with the airport community and users, planning and developing the airport system. We are able to carry out our objectives through our funding choices under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP), Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) application approvals, annual inspections at Part 139 airports, airspace reviews, compliance processes, environmental noise impact analysis, and on-going technical and planning advice and assistance.

Our Alaska Region Mission is as follows:

To provide our customers with guidance and leadership in the planning, development, and operation of the airport system in Alaska. And, to enable air transportation services to be delivered in a safe and efficient manner, incorporating community and environmental needs.

This RAP details a series of initiatives to improve the safety, capacity, and efficiency of our airport system. These initiatives have been distilled from a variety of sources, including interviews with the aviation community, the State of Alaska DOTPF, provisions in grant legislation, the FAA strategic plan, FAA airport standards, conditions unique to the Alaskan Region, and our collective experience with airport planning and development.

We have been provided an opportunity with the passage of AIR-21 to increase investment in our airport system. The success of that investment will be a safe, efficient, and compatible airport system. Success is dependent upon support from our airport sponsors, legislative appropriations, the national priority system, and project preparation.

This RAP is a PLAN, not a guarantee of project approval or grant assistance. The information in this plan is taken from a variety of sources. We strive for excellence. However, we recognize that with such a wealth of information, there will be occasional inaccuracies. Please be patient and advise us so we can make improvements for future additions. The implementation of this Plan requires a concerted effort on the part of many. We welcome your participation.

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Alaska Aviation Safety Foundation
Arctic Circle Air
Bellair
Coastal Helicopters
Cargo Express
Fairbanks International Airport
Frontier Flying Service
Haines Airways
Juneau International Airport
Juneau Flight Service Station
Larry's Flying Service
Rust's Flying Service
Skagway Air Service
State of Alaska DOT P&F
Tanana Air Service
Tatondike
Warbelow's
Wings of Alaska

Year 1999 Personal Interviews:

Alaska Airlines
Alaska State DOT&PF
Air Carrier Assn
Anchorage Int'l Airport
Alaska Aviation Safety Foundation
Air Cargo Express
Alaska Regional Hospital Medivac
ERA Aviation
FAA Headquarters Staff
Fairbanks Int'l Airport
Felix Maguire, Alaska Arimen's Assn
Fish Alaska
Juneau International Airport
Native Health Hospital
Northern Air Cargo
U.S. Postal Service
Yute Air

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- FAA Flight Standards Accident Audit, 1998
- NPIAS, National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems
- State of Alaska Spending Plan, 2000
- FAA Airport Capital Improvement Plan (ACIP), 2000
- Capstone Program Office
- Alaskan Aviation Coordination Council Strategic Plan
- Y-K Delta Regional Plan Drafts
- 1999 Regional Airports Plan (RAP)
- 5010, Airport Master Record Database
- FAA Advisory Circulars, Orders, Policy

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